

State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

TO: Office of Planning and Research
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FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
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PROJECT TITLE: South Yuba River FEMA

LOCATION: South Yuba River State Park - Various Locations COUNTY: Nevada

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Repair damaged roads and trails from storm event at South Yuba River State Park using FEMA funding.

Work includes:

- Rice Crossing Road - Reconstruct 264 cubic yards of destroyed roadbed, refill the eroded areas and reshape with smooth surface. Work to be performed by a dozer, grader, excavator and roller.
- Kneebone Road - Import 102 cubic yards of material to reconstruct the destroyed roadbed and reshape with a smooth surface. Work to be performed by a dozer, grader and roller.
- Point Defiance Road - Reconstruct destroyed roadbed, refill eroded areas and reshape with a smooth surface. Remove mud, slide and downed tree debris. Work will be performed by a dozer, grader, excavator, and roller. Road provides critical fire access and public access to facilities.
- Accessible Picnic Sites - Remove mud, silt and debris. Reconstruct accessible picnic sites to pre-disaster conditions and reconstruct to access trail to the South Yuba River edge. Work will be performed by hand crews and will not impact the waters of the South Yuba River.
- Buttermilk Bend Accessible Trail - Remove 265 cubic yards of mud, silt, and debris to appropriate locations avoiding impacts to the waters of the South Yuba River. Reconstruct 975 cubic yards of dry stack rock masonry wall. Hand fill 1,350 cubic yards of eroded trail. Reconstruct 273 feet of trail surface back to accessible surface. Work to be performed by hand crews.
- Independence Trail - Remove 39 cubic yards of mud, silt and debris. Reconstruct 450 cubic feet of dry stack masonry wall. Build a temporary bridge across damaged trestle to maintain public access. Reconstruct a 50 foot long section of the wood trestle and walkway. Reconstruct 150 feet of four foot wide decomposed granite trail surface. Work to be performed by hand crews.

If evidence of potentially significant historical/archaeological resources is discovered at any point during the project, work will be suspended until the find can be assessed by either the District or Service Center archaeologist.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Sierra District

EXEMPT STATUS:

☒ Categorical Exemption Class: 1,2 Section: 15301,15302

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of repair, maintenance, and minor alteration of existing facilities, involving no expansion of an existing facility and the replacement of existing structures where the new structures will be located on the same site as the structures replaced and will have the same purpose and capacity as the structures replaced.

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